

PLA 187-2006. Section on Reporting of Fireworks –Related Injuries

SECTION 17. IC 35-47-7-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]:

Sec. 7.

(a) If:

(1) a practitioner (as defined in IC 25-1-9-2) initially treats a person for an injury and identifies the person's injury as resulting from fireworks or pyrotechnics, the practitioner; or

(2) a hospital or an outpatient surgical center initially treats a person for an injury and the administrator of the hospital or outpatient surgical center identifies the person's injury as resulting from fireworks or pyrotechnics, the administrator or the administrator's designee;

shall report the case to the state health data center of the state department of health not more than five (5) business days after the time the person is treated. The report may be made in writing on a form prescribed by the state department of health.

(b) A person submitting a report under subsection (a) shall make a reasonable attempt to include the following information:

(1) The name, address, and age of the injured person.

(2) The date and time of the injury and the location where the injury occurred.

(3) If the injured person was less than eighteen (18) years of age at the time of the injury, whether an adult was present when the injury occurred.

(4) Whether the injured person consumed an alcoholic beverage within three (3) hours before the occurrence of the injury.

(5) A description of the firework or pyrotechnic that caused the injury.

(6) The nature and extent of the injury.

(c) A report made under this section is confidential for purposes of IC 5-14-3-4(a)(1).

(d) The state department of health shall compile the data collected under this section and submit a report of the compiled data to the legislative council in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 not later than December 31 of each year.